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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170  
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I decided on the tracfone because I cannot afford any of the cell phone carriers. I only carry a cell phone for safety and security to be used in an emergency. I can go two months without getting or receiving a phone call so I feel this extra charge is not fair. I am sick and tired of having to pay "extra" for everything anymore regardless of whether or not you need it or use it. Please do not add on this extra charge. People with low incomes cannot take any more increases in things that we do not consider a luxury. My cell phone is not a luxury item - it is something that just may save my life or someone I love's life.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Elaine Chuba  
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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members